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## THE FARMER AND THE WISE MEN.

And it came to pass in these days that the earth was every fruitful, and there were many tillers of the soil and keepers of flocks and herds. And great cities were builded in the land, even the ancient cities of New York and Chicago, which remain to this day. And in the cities there abode great multitudes of people, who were not tillers of the soil, and they did mock and make of the farmer a great joke, and names did they call them—Jays and Haystacks—yea verily, even mossbacks called them. But behold, the farmer man was very meek and lowly, and he heareth them not.

Then did certain wise men of the city lay their heads together and commune together secretly among themselves, and then sayeth they unto the others: Go too, I pray thee; do not the multitudes in the cities have to eat of the products of the soil? Surely all that goeth in their mouths cometh first out of the ground. Behold what an opportunity to make a great hoedoe! Therefore, I pray thee, let us put our money together and buy all that there is in the land; yea, even all the wheat and corn, all the peaches and pomegranates and figs and everything the which thereof the people are wont to eat, and when we shall have gotten it together in our warehouse we will double the price and great will be the profits thereon. And behold, we will send our prophets throughout the length and breadth of the land, and they shall say unto the farmers: Behold, the land is full of corn, wheat and peaches, and all products of the soil are abundant, and thou shalt not sell that which thou hast less than thou sellest very cheap and easily.

And thus they did as the wise men had spoken, even so did they. They sent their false prophets throughout the length and breadth of the land, and they did speak unto the farmers those things which the wise men had told them. And behold, the farmer man was sorely damaged. Then came the wise men to buy. And behold, the farmer man was to meet him and selleth unto him that he hath. Yea, very cheaply he sell, for the words of the false prophet still ringeth in his ears and his heart forgetteth them not.

Thus did the wise men buy very cheaply all that was good in the land, and they builded great warehouses to hold high carnival. Yea, verily, did they consume the midday of the length out the day of the great rejoicing, and they did buy themselves for joy. A great feast had they and they did drink wine and smoke 50-cent cigars and take merry. Yea, even whiskey did they drink, and they did say the one to the other: "Behold what a snip the Mossbacks be." Then did they double the price on all that which they had stored and it came to pass that the people in the cities were abunger and they did go unto the wise men who had the great warehouses and did say unto them: "Behold, our wives and our children cry for bread, and we have not

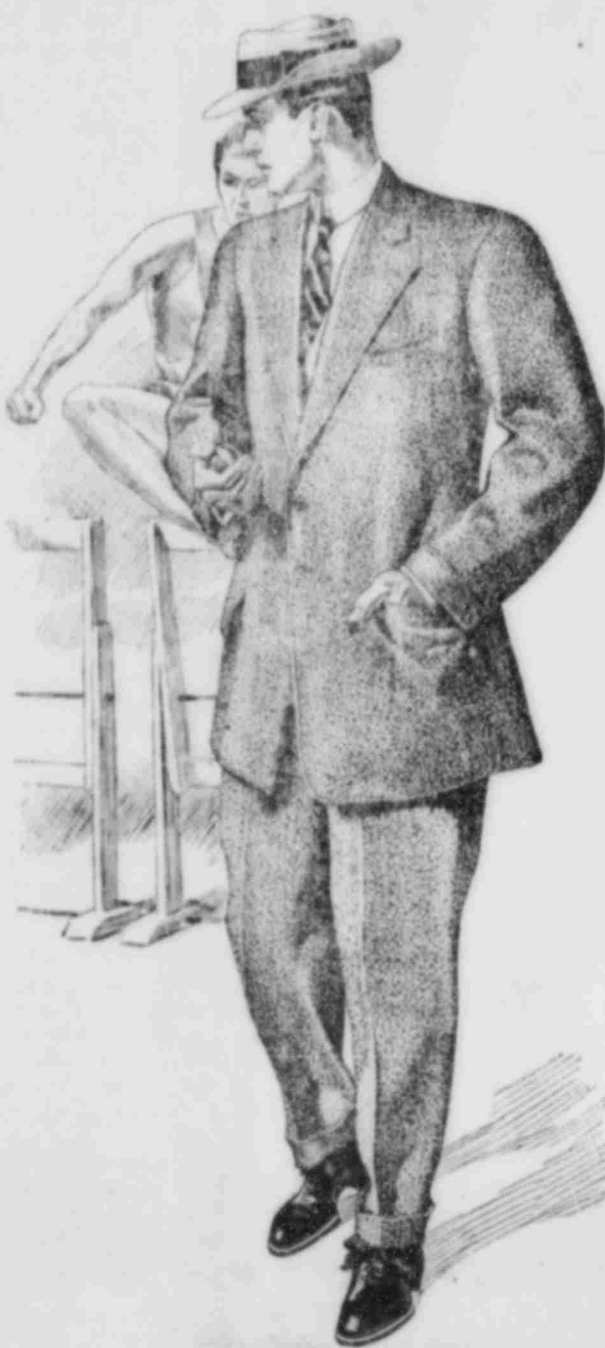
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whereof to feed them. We pray thee, therefore, to sell us from that which thou hast." Then did the wise men wink their eyes and say unto them: "Behold, we have but little, and there is no more in the land. If we sell to thee that which we have, behold our own children want: therefore we must double the price yet again." Then did the people bring loads of shekles of silver and shekles of gold brought they and threw them down at the wise men, and behold their warehouses were emptied quickly, and great loads of shekles had they, even mountains high.

And behold many generations passeth away and the farmer waxeth poor while the wise man waxeth rich from the sweat of the farmer man's brow. Then doth the farmer hump himself and hustle. Yea, verily, even deeper doth he plow the ground, and his wife and children goeth forth with him to labor in the fields. From daylight even into

darkness did they labor like cattle. Yea verily, even as mules worked they to raise more crops that they might thus have more money to pay their mortgages.

Then doth the wise men in the cities smile a large smile. Yea, from one corner to the other smileth he. And he winketh the other, and sayeth the one unto the other, "Behold what good cattle to work for us the mossbacks be. Surely he raiseth twice as much this year as he did the last. Therefore we will pay him one-half as much for his produce."

And even so they did. And the farmer man began to study a plan to be delivered from the great wise men, and he organized himself Unions to deliver himself out of bondage. Yea verily, as Moses delivered the children out of the hands of the Egyptians, even so did they. And the farmer man getteth out of the hands of his enemies.

And the name of these great Unions were the A. S. of E. and F. S. of E. and were organized in the great state of Texas. And these great orders began to spreadeth over several states, and they publish a great paper and the farmer man beginneth to read the things therein. And behold their eyes were opened and they did say one unto the other, "Behold, what manner of things are these which the wise men have done unto us?"

And it came to pass that great multitudes of farmers began to assemble throughout the land. Even to the habitation of every farmer man went this great organization. And they did say one unto the other, "Hast thou joined the Union? Go to, I pray thee, let us hold our products for a better price, for behold, as we have been selling heretofore the wise man getteth all the dough. And what getteth the farmer? Yea, verily the farmer getteth it in the neck."

And it came to pass that the farmer holdeth his crops for the maximum price. Yea, even all the products of the soil holdeth he, and of his flocks and herds selleth he not one hoof.

And it came to pass that when the wise man goeth forth again to buy cheaply they sojourn wearily by the wayside. For behold, the farmer man putteth his finger on his nose and selleth him not. Then did the wise men rave and tear their hair. Yea verily, they did howl and kick with a great noise, but it availeth them naught.

And in time the great warehouses of the wise men became empty and the people did clamor for food. Then did the farmers throughout the land fix their just and equitable prices on all they had to sell, and he sendeth to market each day just so much thereof as bringeth his price, and no more. And behold, before another harvest time cometh all that he hath is sold at his own price, and he reapeth a rich reward for all his labor. And behold the wise man still drinketh his whiskey, but the wine and the 50-cent cigar cutteth he out.

Verily, verily I say unto you, the farmer man was no chump Selah!

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The average house wife will soon begin to make life a burden to the other inmates of the household. She will tie a rag around her head and wade into the dirt in a way that will make your head swim. She will tear up the carpets, empty the cupboards, look sour when you show up for dinner and slam and bang things around to a queen's taste, and if you don't like it take your meals up town. Spring time is a very unhappy event when house cleaning is on.

## HORSE THIEVES CAUGHT NEAR TOWN.

Will Evans and Jim Thomas, wanted in Graves county and Fulton county for horse stealing, were captured in the bottom last Thursday by Deputy Sheriff Goulder Johnson, and are now in the County jail at this place where they will await the action of the next Circuit Court. The young men were found at the home of Fred and Ed Evans, to whom Will claims to be related.

In Graves county they stole a horse and traded him off at Murry, then sold the animal for which they traded. Coming to Fulton Monday, they proceeded to steal a horse and buggy from Jim Williams. When caught they had both horse and buggy in their possession, but the buggy top had been torn off so that the vehicle would not be recognized. Of course, Williams recovered what was left of his turnout.

The prisoners are mere boys— one about 19, the other 24 years of age. Both started early in their criminal career. Evans has served one term in penitentiary for the same offense for which he again must answer. Thomas was sent to the reform school for house-braking, but escaped after being there three months.

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Question—What is a Night Rider? Answer—A Night Rider is a good citizen, who for years has been robbed of his honest sweat and toil by the heartless tobacco trust. He has submitted to this robbery patiently until the wolf of want is now staring his wife and children in the face, and as laws of our country have failed to furnish him relief, and order to keep starvation from his family, he has taken the law into his own hands and is endeavoring to prevent the tobacco trust from further robbing him.

A certain young man is trying a very expensive scheme in order that he may get to go up in the city at nights. His wife objects to him going except when he attends lodge meetings, and now he says he is going to join all of the lodges so that he will have a chance to go more often.

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## L. C. ROBERSON WANTS TO BE SHERIFF.

L. C. Roberson, of Fulton, was in our city Friday, and while here authorized us to announce him as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Fulton county. Mr. Roberson is one of those bighearted, jolly fellows that one likes to meet. Editor Williams, of the Fulton Leader, knows him better than we do, and this is what he has to say of him:

"For more than fourteen years Mr. Roberson has resided in Fulton county and we feel that it is unnecessary for us to attempt an introduction as there is not a man in the county perhaps better known. For four years Mr. Roberson was city marshal of Fulton and three years served as night policeman, afterwards acting as special officer for the Illinois Central railroad company two years when he was appointed deputy sheriff of Fulton county by Sheriff Seat, which office he now holds.

He comes before the people of Fulton county with hopes of receiving their liberal support. "I want the office because I need it," says Mr. Roberson, "and it elected I shall fill it to the best of my ability regardless of consequences."

The house committee on merchant marine and fisheries, at Washington, has agreed to report favorably bills appropriating \$250,000 for the establishment of fish hatcheries in Tennessee, Texas, Louisiana, South Carolina, Florida and Kentucky. Of course, Hickman is the place for the Kentucky hatchery. Now, will we get busy?

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A noble Sioux his cuticle Did fill with red, red rye, And, straying near a cliff, fell off, To quite abruptly die.

When his remains they gathered up, His friends did all abide By the sad verdict that it was A case of Siouxcide.

—Robert V. Carr.

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